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NOTICE OF SURFACE WATER DISCHARGE APPLICATION AND RECOMMENDATION

The South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has received an application for the renewal of a Surface Water Discharge (SWD) permit from the following applicant:

APPLICANT NAME: International Paper (SD0026867)

FACILITY LOCATION: Facility is located southeast of the city of Whitewood

in the northwest 1/4 of Section 27, Township 6 North,

Range 4 East in Lawrence County, South Dakota

MAILING ADDRESS: 6400 Poplar Ave

Memphis, Tn 38197

The renewal of the Surface Water Discharge permit will not allow the discharge of treated groundwater from International Paper's wood treating facility unless an emergency discharge is required to prevent severe property damage. Any emergency discharge from this facility will enter Whitewood Creek which has the following beneficial uses: coldwater marginal fish life propagation waters; immersion recreation waters; limited-contact recreation waters; fish and wildlife propagation, recreation, and stock watering waters; and irrigation waters.

Tentative determinations regarding the water quality limits for any discharge and other conditions have been made by DENR. The Surface Water Discharge permit specifies the quality of water that can be discharged and still protect the uses of the receiving water. The proposed no discharge permit and supporting document are available from DENR at the address listed below.

In accordance with the Administrative Rules of South Dakota, Chapter 74:50:02, any person desiring to comment on the Department's recommendation for the conditional issuance of this permit must submit written comments to the below address within the specified thirty (30) day comment period. Comments may be directed to the following address: South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Environmental Services, Surface Water Quality Program, Joe Foss Building, Pierre, SD 57501-3181. Any person desiring a public hearing must file a petition which complies with the ARSD 74:50:02. If no objections are received within the specified 30-day period, the Secretary will issue final determinations within sixty days of the date of this notice.

Additional information may be obtained by calling Jonathan Hill (605) 773-3351, or by writing to the address listed above.

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